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## THE CHANGING ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY LANDSCAPE

Amid the churn of Washington politics and the changing environmental policy landscape, the Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions continues to do what we do well: produce objective research and tools to help decision makers better understand and weigh their short- and long-term policy choices. In this year's [annual report](#), we describe three projects: one that helps decision makers navigate electricity sector uncertainties, one that examines how big data can help to create a more water-secure world, and one that reimagines how to sustainably manage the oceans.

## BRIDGING IMPACTS: CROSS-SECTOR SOLUTIONS

In September 2015, world leaders signed off on the United Nations 17 sustainable development goals (SDGs)--a roadmap to tackling climate change, eliminating poverty and hunger, and putting in place sustainable energy sources, water, and industry by 2030. To achieve these goals and the 169 targets underpinning them, problems can no longer be solved sector by sector without taking into consideration the interconnected nature of their challenges. A new initiative, the **Bridge Collaborative**, works to accelerate how health, development and environment jointly solve today's complex global challenges. Publications developed by the Bridge Collaborative that capture principles and guidance for creating comparable results chains across sectors and for evaluating evidence from multiple sectors will be discussed at a [public launch](#) of the initiative in London October 25-26.

## PAPER EXAMINES PACIFIC TUNA FISHERIES

A [paper](#) published by the World Bank and co-authored by Nicholas Institute researchers suggests a best-case scenario whereby improved management of tuna fisheries allows Pacific Island countries to gain as much as US\$344 million per year in additional sustainable revenues and to create 7,500 to 15,000 jobs by 2040. The paper recommends five policy strategies: increased regional integration, efficient fishing practices and catch limits, flexible access and harvest rights for fleets, investment in skills and labor, and inclusion of coastal communities in fisheries planning.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**The Impact of Climate Change on Educational Attainment: Evidence from the Global Tropics**  
October 12, Durham, North Carolina

**Ecosystem Services and National Forest Policy**  
October 17, Webinar

**Bridging Evidence-Based Impact Across Environment, Health and Development Communities**  
October 25-26, London, England

**Energy Week at Duke**  
November 5-10, Durham, North Carolina

## FEATURED MULTIMEDIA



## PJM Market Design from the State Perspective

A one-day workshop hosted by the Nicholas Institute and the Great Plains Institute last month explored state energy and environmental policy objectives and what they mean for FERC-regulated wholesale markets. The workshop featured multiple perspectives in three panel sessions examining not only ongoing challenges, but also recent

proposals to make state policies and regional market design work together. [Watch video](#) from the event or view the [Storify](#) of the conversation about PJM market design on social media.

## IN THE NEWS

[NPR](#), The Future of Hurricanes

[EnergyWire](#), 'Price Carbon' or 'Leave us Alone': No Easy Answers for PJM (\$)

[High Country News](#), McCain Resumes His Quest for Climate Change Action

[ClimateWire](#), Will Graham Support for Carbon Tax Spur Senate Action? (\$)



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